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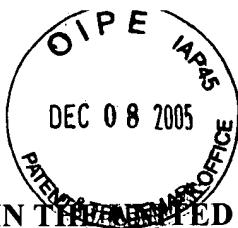
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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December 8, 2005

Sir:

In response to the request by the Examiner in a telephone call with the undersigned on December 8, 2005, attached is a copy of the Response to Restriction Requirement as filed on April 12, 2005, along with a copy of the date-stamped postcard indicating receipt of this document by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
DATED March 30, 2005

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Date: April 12, 2005

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated **March 30, 2005**.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), Claims 1-21 and 25-27; and Group (II), Claims 22-24.

Applicants hereby provisionally elect, without traverse, the subject matter of Group (I), Claims 22-24 for prosecution in this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

Further, in response to the Requirement for an Election of Species, Applicants provisionally elect, without traverse, the invention of Species 1, covered by Claims 22-24.

If any generic claims are found to be patentable, Applicants will be entitled to consideration of additional species as well. Currently, no claims are generic.

In any event, Applicant reserves the right to file Divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims prior to payment of the Issue Fee.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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